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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provided for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/436,870
Filing Date	November 9, 1999
First Named Inventor	Shigeru Yoshino et al.
Group Art Unit	2616
Examiner Name	Christopher O. Onuaku
Attorney Docket Number	450100-02164

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under C.F.R. § 1.114.

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on June 21, 2004.
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

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2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103© for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(I) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ Checks in the amounts of \$790.00 and \$110.00 are enclosed for the following:
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17)
- iii. ☒ This is a Petition for a one-month extension of time. A check for \$110.00 is enclosed.
- b. ☒ The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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Sir:

Enclosed with the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is a check in the amount of
\$110 for a petition for a one-month extension of time.

The Final Rejection in the above-referenced application was mailed on May 4, 2004. The Amendment After Final Action was filed by Applicants' attorney on June 21, 2004. The Advisory Action was facsimiled to Applicants' attorney on October 28, 2004.

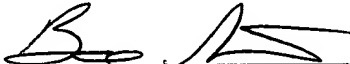
Since the Amendment was filed within two months of the mailing date of the Final Action and the Advisory Action was not mailed until after the end of the three-month shortened statutory period, the shortened statutory period expires on the date the Advisory Action was mailed, and the extension fee is calculated from the mailing of the Advisory Action. Accordingly, the extension fee for filing the present RCE is a one-month extension fee.

The Examiner is hereby authorized to charge any insufficient fees or credit any overpayment associated with the above-identified application to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

The Examiner's consideration of this matter is gratefully acknowledged.

Respectfully submitted,

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